THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

Writ Petition No. 6473 of 2007

Dated: 30.03.2007

Between:

Ballula Mariyamma.

..... PETITIONER

AND

The Chairman,
Girijana Co-operative Corporation Ltd.,
Visakhapatnam and others.

.....RESPONDENTS

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

Writ Petition No. 6473 of 2007

Order:

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Government Pleader for Revenue and the learned Standing Counsel for respective respondents.

The petitioner, who applied for the post of Salesman on contract basis in the 2nd respondent-Corporation, at the time of interview, produced only a temporary caste certificate, issued by the Mandal Revenue Officer for education purpose, and she undertook to produce permanent caste certificate later. Since the petitioner failed to produce permanent caste certificate, the

2nd respondent, by impugned letter, dated 03.03.2007, directed the petitioner to produce permanent caste certificate within three days from the date of receipt of that letter, failing which her case would not be considered for engaging her services as Salesman on contract basis. The petitioner, without producing the permanent caste certificate as called for by the 2nd respondent, filed the present writ petition contending that the Mandal Revenue Officer is not issuing the permanent caste certificate.

I am unable to accept the said contention. When the petitioner is claiming benefit under the Scheduled Tribe Community, it is her duty to pursue the matter with the authorities concerned, and obtain the permanent caste certificate and produce the same before the 2nd respondent-Corporation, but she cannot be allowed to contend that since the Mandal Revenue Officer has not issued the permanent caste

certificate she has not produced the same before the 2nd respondent. In the circumstances, I see no reason whatsoever to interfere with the impugned order passed by the

2nd respondent-Corporation.

The writ petition is devoid of merit and the same is accordingly dismissed. However, the time granted by the

2nd respondent, namely the Divisional Manager, in the impugned letter, dated 03.03.2007 to the petitioner for production of permanent caste certificate is extended by a period of one more week from today. It is made clear that if the petitioner fails to produce the permanent caste certificate by 06.04.2007, the

2nd respondent-Corporation is at liberty to pass appropriate orders in the matter in accordance with law. No costs.

_____

N.V. RAMANA, J.

Date: 30.03.2007
Nsr